## TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE June 28, 2018

**Presiding:** Chair Walt Daniels

Committee Present: Carol Luce, Todd Aune, Elizabeth Burrows Chapin, Matt Olsen,

and Arlene Dana

Committee Absent: Don Smeback

**Staff Present:** Julie Wehling, Nancy Muller, and Kay Hemstreet

**Others Present:** Janet Jeffries

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Daniels called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the City of Canby Council Chambers.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

The minutes from the May 24, 2018, meeting were reviewed. Carol Luce pointed out an error; it should state when Ms. Wehling "retires" in 2020, not "retired".

The Committee approved the minutes as changed unanimously by consensus.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Operations Report: Kay Hemstreet, MV Transportation, said the ridership on the fixed routes was down a little from last month and Dial-A-Ride was up. They were trending up in ridership from last year and she thought they were on track for where they wanted to be.

Julie Wehling, Transit Director, clarified ridership was up in May for the fixed routes due to the increased service. She thought it would continue to go up.

There was discussion regarding ridership counts.

B. Director Update: Ms. Wehling had a conversation with Lori Bothwell, Director of the Clackamas County Fairgrounds, about providing a fair shuttle. Ridership on the shuttle had been down and with the new bus schedules, people could get a ride to the fair every half hour during commuter times. As such, the fair shuttle would not be in operation this year. CAT would also have extra Dial-A-Ride service to the fair. The Rider of the Month for June was Samantha Smith. There would be two upcoming public hearings, one to discuss the survey and decide what would be

implemented on the Phase 2 of the Transit Master Plan on July 19, and the other regarding the Title VI Plan on August 23, both at 6 p.m. Spanish interpreters would be present at both meetings. The next regular TAC meeting would be on September 27. Another public hearing would be held in November regarding the ADA Plan and Facility Plan.

There was discussion regarding the meeting times and getting more citizen participation.

Carol Luce made a motion to change the regular TAC meeting times to 6 p.m. The motion was seconded by Liz Chapin and passed 6-0.

Ms. Wehling announced the Oregon Transit Association Conference would be October 28-31 in Bend. The City got three scholarships to the conference, and a TAC member might be able to attend. Liz Chapin expressed interest in going.

C. Transit Master Plan Phase 2 Projects: Ms. Wehling said this information would be presented at the public hearing on July 19. The new STIF funding required that any funding the City applied for had to be spelled out in a plan. They had not expected to be able to do Phase 2 anytime soon and flexibility had been put in the plan to get more input on how to move forward. They were now on an accelerated timeline where the City was being asked to submit the projects. She did not know if the public preferred to have Saturday service or a local circulator route first. She had put together a survey to ask questions that would help answer that. She then reviewed the questions on the survey.

There was discussion regarding which was the priority, Saturday service or local circulator. There was further discussion regarding having enough drivers for the new service and putting mobile data terminals in the buses.

Ms. Wehling said she would have to give presentations at the County Offices on July 10 and July 24 on what they would be doing with the STIF funds, which was the reason for the accelerated timeline. She explained how the STIF funds would flow through Tri-Met with ODOT oversight to the different rural transit agencies in the three counties. There were Tri-Met committees in the three counties to determine the amounts that would go to the rural entities. The Clackamas County Commission approved an IGA among all of the transportation providers in the County to form a committee to go forward to Tri-Met with a project list. The STIF funding was to be used for new service, to address low income, and to provide connections to other communities. She thought CAT would receive about

\$200,000 to \$220,000 in STIF funds. She thought this would allow them to do a limited Saturday service and a limited local circulator. She planned to meet with MV to work out a reasonable budget and to discuss the needed increase in staffing.

**CITIZEN INPUT:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:** Carol Luce stated that some drivers were still not assisting

passengers.

## **ADJOURN:**

Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Assisted with Preparation of Minutes - Susan Wood